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DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINING

CERTIFIED MAIL # Z 208 179 201 RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

ROBERT STEELE 1055 N 400 E NEPHI UT 84648

Dear Mr. Steele:

On March 1, 1999 and June 18, 1999, field compliance inspections were conducted in the NW¼NE¼ of Section 5, T. 12 S., R. 6 W., the site of which you submitted a Notice, which was accepted on December 3, 1996. The notice was serialized UTU-072898.

No changes had occurred at the site between the inspections. The mining activity has ceased, but there is a continued presence of personal property on the site. 43 CFR §3715.5-2 states:

Any property you leave on the public lands beyond the 90-day period described in Sec. 3715.5-1 becomes property of the United States and is subject to removal and disposition at BLM's discretion consistent with applicable laws and regulations. You are liable for the costs BLM incurs in removing and disposing of the property.

We sent you copies of the 43 CFR §3715 regulations on May 29, 1998, July 21, 1998, and September 30, 1998; another copy is enclosed with this letter.

Also, on October 7, 1998, you were informed that you had established a Record of Noncompliance for failure to comply with a Notice of Noncompliance (NON) dated September 2, 1998. As stated in the NON:

Once a record of noncompliance is established then a plan of operations must be submitted within 30 days under section 3809.1-9 for all existing and subsequent operations that would otherwise be conducted pursuant to a notice

(3809.1-3). In addition, the operator or mining claimant will have 90 days to post with the Utah State Office a financial guarantee (bond) for all existing disturbances for which they are responsible. Failure to timely submit the financial guarantee will result in withdrawal of approval of all existing mining activity. Continuation of mining activity, without submission of the required financial guarantee may result in fines, or imprisonment or both.

Within 30 days from receipt of this letter, please remove the property and reclaim the site, or submit a Plan of Operations with an estimate of the reclamation costs and a bond for that amount. Failure to do so will result in one or all of the remedial actions discussed both above and in 43 CFR §3715.7.

If you have any questions, please contact Ron Teseneer at (435)743-3126.

Sincerely,

Rex Rowley

Field Manager

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Enclosures
43 CFR §3715

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